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DISTRUST WAR NEWS.

Mysteries About Chinese Matters.

It is next to impossible to know the real truth about Chinese news matters. The "war correspondents" have had the people of the United States horrified time and again about the massacre of foreigners, the killing of all the foreign Ministers, etc., until our people were ready to plunge into war to punish the yellow devils. Later news shows that the foreign Ministers were not killed, and all the other reported atrocities terribly exaggerated. So, therefore, what should the people believe? For some years past the newspapers and leading public men of Europe and the United States have freely and openly discussed the dismemberment of the Chinese Empire and its partition and division between the Nations. We know that the American public have grown familiar with such discussion and purpose. And it appears that the people of China know the same. Hence the formidable Chinese organization known as the Boxers, something similar to the old Kuow-Nothing organization in the United States, with the battle cry of "China for the Chinaman." Under this battle cry they have built up the Boxers until they are apparently stronger than the Chinese government, and, probably, will overthrow it. At least the Chinese government is powerless to control the Boxers. If the Boxers could know that the big Nations had no intention to conquer and divide their country they would be disarmed of the prejudice which is swelling their ranks. It is the Chinese prejudices which have led to whatever killings and massacres that have resulted. And the war correspondents do the rest by way of exaggeration; and those leaders here and in Europe who favor the conquest of China aid and abet, for without atrocities and massacres the people never justify war.

LOCAL NEWS.

Miss Ivey Dellow has gone to Adairville, Ky., to visit relatives.

Miss Mabel Harbour, of Memphis, is visiting at the Laclede.

Rev. W. G. Reeves and family, of Dexter, Mo., are visiting Mrs. M. E. Rose.

Miss Ouida Mooney has returned from a visit to Jackson, Tenn., and Mobile, Ala.

A Milwaukee man has married his former mother-in-law. Evidently he has domesticated the recording angel.

Mrs. J. H. Nelson and Miss Maud Baker are attending the Holiness meeting near Mt. Manuel church, this week.

Rev. W. G. Reeves will conduct the service at Poplar Grove, Sunday morning and at the Baptist Church at night.

On August 8th, the N. C. & St. L. Ry. will sell tickets from Union City to Hickman, for 20 cents on account of Emancipation Proclamation.

Wants, For Sale, For Rent, Lost, Found, To Loan, etc., inserted in the Courier, rate one cent a word each insertion. Personal mentions free.

This is the time of year when everybody wants to get away from home and their usual work. A change of scenery and surroundings is good for anybody.

The Holiness people are holding an arbor meeting near Mt. Manuel Church, on lake road, this week. Rev. Hall, of this city, is conducting the meeting, and the services will, doubtless, be continued through next week. Everybody invited.

The building of levees on the Mississippi side of the Mississippi will somewhat emphasize the necessity and importance of levees on the Kentucky and Tennessee side. How do you answer this fact, you who oppose the Hickman and Tiptonville levee enterprise?

The first campaign song, "McKinley and Roosevelt Forever" is in keeping with the imperialistic spirit of the Republican administration. Hitherto no party in this country has dared to proclaim that its candidates should hold office for more than four years, as provided by the federal constitution.

The Illinois Central Railroad has commenced the construction of branch lines in Western Tennessee as well as Mississippi, and it will not be many months before a road will be opened between Dyersburg and the Ohio river, the object of which is to open a large area of valuable timber country.

A salvation army advertiser wrote on a bill-board, "What shall I do to be saved?" A patent medicine man came along and wrote underneath: "Take Carter's Little Liver Pills." Shortly afterwards the Salvation Army man, in passing that way again, noticed the sacrilegious work of the medicine man and wrote below: "And then prepare to meet your God."

The big camp meeting at Curtner Springs, on Reelfoot Lake, will be held August 3d to 19th. The committee announce that the law will be strictly enforced against the sale of intoxicating liquors and misdemeanors of any kind whatsoever. Those who attend are promised free water, free shade and free access to all services at the tabernacle.

L. P. & W. S. Ellison's

Mid-Summer Suggestions!

Dry Goods Department.

Cool Fabrics

For Ladies Mid-Summer wear.

Fancy Dimities and Batistes in most fetching styles. 19c values cut to 7 1/2c

French Dimities, classic cords, this season's 30c goods; cut to 15c

REMNANTS AT Remnant Prices. Batistes, Lawns, Dimities, Percales, Calicoes. See Remnant Counter.

Shirt Waists.

This item of cool, comfortable, correct Ladies' wear—we are offering most attractive values at

35c, 50c, 75c,

\$1.00, \$2.25.

Have a few, only, Silk Waists at the out prices left.

Must come quick to get one.

Receiving,

Every few days,

NEW FANS.

NEW LACES.

NEW THINGS

in small TOILET ARTICLES for ladies.

Clothing

Department.

We advertise what we have, And always have what we advertise.

Our

Men's \$ 5.00 Suits cut to \$ 3.45

" 6.50 " " 4.98

" 10.00 and 12.50 Suits 8.50

" 12.50 and 15.00 " 10.50

are actual money-saving facts that will pay you to look into.

Our Bargain Counter of

50c Shirts cut to 39c

75c " " 59c

\$1.00 " " 79c

are well worth your while this torrid weather. You'll miss it if you don't invest in two or three of these Shirts. Fact.

Cool Clothes.

Hot weather fashion permits a man to dress in taste and style without sacrificing his comfort. Come in and consult our "Refrigerator Line."

Serge Coats at \$4.50 and \$6.00.

Serge Coats and Vests at \$5.00.

Flannelette Suits, Pure Wool at \$10.00.

Crash Suits \$2.00.

L. P. & W. S. ELLISON.

Great Massacres in History.

[Louisville Times.]

B. C. 331—Alexander put 8,000 Tyrians to the sword and crucified 2,000 for not surrendering Tyre.

B. C. 102—Marius, the Roman general, slaughtered 200,000 Teutons and Ambones near Aix.

B. C. 49—Octavian Caesar ordered the death of 300 Roman Senators the names of Julius Caesar.

A. D. 70—Jews to the number of 1,100,000 were massacred in the fall of Jerusalem.

A. D. 165—Cassius, the Roman general, put to death 300,000 inhabitants of Selucia.

1369—"Stilian Vespers" massacre, when over 8000 French were murdered at Palermo.

1572—St. Bartholomew's massacre commenced on the evening of the festival at Paris. Seventy thousand Huguenots murdered by secret orders from Charles IX, at the instigation of his mother, Catharine de Medici.

1609—Massacre of MacDonalds at Glencoe, Scotland, for not surrendering to King William.

1740—Twelve thousand Chinese put to death at Batavia in October, under pretence of insurrection.

1885—Twenty-four thousand native Christians reported murdered in Cochui China, and 22,000 in Annam.

1886—Native Christians in Armenia numbering from 30,000 to 40,000 according to various reports killed by Kurds or Turkish soldiers.

An Epidemic of Diarrhoea.

Mr. A. Sanders, writing from Cocanut Grove, Fla., says there has been quite an epidemic of diarrhoea there. He had a severe attack and was cured by four doses of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea remedy. He also says he recommended it to others and they say it is the best medicine they ever used. For sale by Cowgill & Cowgill, Hickman, and A. M. Shaw, State Line, druggists.

GOOD BY MISS HELLO GIRL.

Sioux City, Ia., July 19—Judge A. Van Wagenen, of Sioux City has completed the organization of a \$1,500,000 company at Providence, R. I., to manufacture the automatic switchboard a device designed to eliminate the "hello girl" from the telephone business. By its use patrons may make their own connections.

Quinine Prices Advance.

Quinine has advanced, and the summer cold is just now in the height of its glory. There has been no combine between the druggists and the manufacturers to make the "fellow with the gold" shell out for his expensive luxury, but the war in the Orient, and the shortness in the cinchona bark supply are the causes, and as a result raw quinine is selling for seventeen cents more per ounce at wholesale than it was a few months ago, and twenty-five cents more per ounce retail, and it is likely to go still higher.

A Town Contagion

Selfishness is a contagious disease, the merchant afflicted with it gives it to the mechanic, the mechanic to the professional man, the professional man to the laborer, and so it spreads until your business goes dead, and your town with it. One cannot enjoy the disease alone. The remedy for the disease is public spirit. Help in public enterprises. Help for help.

White Man Turned Yellow.

Great consternation was felt by the friends of M. A. Hogarty, of Lexington, Ky., when they saw he was turning yellow. His skin slowly changed color, also his eyes, and he suffered terribly. His malady was Yellow Jaundice. He was treated by the best doctors, but without benefit. Then he was advised to try Electric Bitters, the wonderful Stomach and Liver remedy, and he says: "After taking two bottles I was wholly cured." A trial proves its matchless merit for all Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles. Only 50 cents. Sold by all Druggists.

Quinine Jim McKenzie.

Now that his cousin Adlai is a candidate, the friends of "Quinine Jim McKenzie" are hoping that he will come out of hiding in the rural districts of Christian County and mount the stump and let the people once more hear the kind of oratory that has become far too scarce in these later days. McKenzie has few equals and no superiors as a campaigner, and the Democrats in this section hope to hear much of him during the present campaign.—Henderson Journal.

A BIT OF HISTORY.

How Roosevelt Chewed Grass at the Battle of San Juan.

A Washington telegram says: At the Kansas City Convention were many of the men who belonged to the volunteer regiment of cavalry which, through the influence of its Lieutenant Colonel, Theodore Roosevelt, had the good fortune to get into Cuba while there was fighting to be done. One of these, named McMillan, whose home is in New Mexico, was Roosevelt's orderly on the day of the hard fighting at San Juan hill. It was McMillan's duty to keep close by the side of Roosevelt in order to carry messages and perform other like services. McMillan told with pride at Kansas City of the part he took in the battle, and proved by letters from Roosevelt that he was his orderly on the day mentioned.

"Roosevelt, though game," said McMillan, "was the most nervous and fidgety man I ever saw in danger—and I have seen lots of men in a heap more danger than any of us were in at San Juan hill. During most of the charge up the hill we had to crawl on all fours through the tall grass. The bullets were whizzing around us mightily fast. I remained close to Roosevelt all through the charge. He was on his all fours most of the time going up the hill like the rest of us. Not a word did he speak to me or anybody else during the excitement. Fact is, he kept his mouth rammed so full of grass that he couldn't have talked very plain had he tried. He kept pulling up grass by the handful, stuffing it in his mouth, chewing it and spitting out, and then ramming another handful, roots, dirt and all. Before then terrible hives was over, I'll bet Roosevelt chawed up and spit out enough grass to make a bale of hay. Still, he did not finish. He kept moving up. It was just the awful excitement that made him keep chawing grass."

—Rev. Dr. Joseph Desha Pickett, chaplain of the Orphan Brigade, died at his home near Chicago, Saturday, aged 79 years. He was Superintendent of Public Instruction of Kentucky from 1879 to 1891. He had been a resident of Illinois for the last nine years.

DICK'S UNEASINESS.

It is significant that Chairman Dick, of the Republican State Executive Committee of Ohio now includes Ohio among the doubtful States in the approaching election and furthermore announces that the battle for national victory must be fought in the West.

There is an abundant promise of Democratic success in this authoritative Republican view of the situation. It is in the West that the Democratic national ticket and platform is the strongest. Bryan and Stevenson are both Western men and in temperament sympathy with the spirit and aspirations of the West. The Kansas City platform declaring imperialism to be the paramount issue of the campaign of 1900, voiced exactly the sentiment of the West. The sturdy Americanism which rallies to the cry of "Save the Republic from Empire" appeals with legitimate magnetism to the American West.

Mr. Dick of Ohio has good reason to fear for the President's chances in the President's own State. He has equally good reason to be apprehensive of the result in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota. Its going to take the hardest kind of campaigning to win the votes of those States for the Empire against the Republic. The task is so arduous indeed, that it is very doubtful whether all the King's horses and all the King's men—or rather, all the Empire's machinery and money—can accomplish it.

Red Shirts in North Carolina.

The white people in North Carolina have grown tired of negro domination which they say is infinitely worse than the carpetbag regime during the reconstruction period, and an organized effort is being made to restore white supremacy. They allege that wildly extravagant taxes are levied by ignorant legislators, that the industries of the State are paralyzed and general ruin threatened. The organization formed to restore white supremacy is the "Red Shirts" and it is said that many of the negroes have joined the whites and are wearing the "badge of the order."

POLITICAL JURIES.

Negro Juries the Only Remedy

In Kentucky the juries are made up exclusively of white men, and a large majority of the white men in Kentucky are Democrats, and, therefore, it happens that in selecting juries by lot a majority of the jurors happen to be Democrats. Until lately the newspapers and politicians never drew the party line in the selection of jurors, or contended that necessarily because a majority of the jury differed in politics from the prisoner that therefore from party prejudice they would convict even to the death penalty. If the charge be true, it is a serious condition; and it is a terrible blow at our jury system. To admit its truth, the law should compel the selection of six Republicans and six Democrats on every jury, and being thus selected from party reasons, would not they be inclined to stand by their party precisely as selected partisans in other matters? The other remedy would be to admit the selection of negroes on our juries, thus making 65,000 additional Republicans competent jurors, and then the number of Republicans drawn by lot as jurors would be greater relatively. Indeed, this must be the purpose and desire of the newspapers who are so continuously raising the cry that "justice cannot be obtained in Kentucky because a majority of the jury are Democrats."

Gov. Beckham the Nominee.

Gov. Beckham easily won the nomination for Governor at the Lexington Convention. His reputation is that of a pure, high minded young man of splendid ancestry, and he has proven himself a man of courage. The Courier favored Gen. Lewis because we thought his reputation would help to elevate our State politics, and would attract an element of voters to the ticket that might not support Beckham. However Beckham is evidently the choice of the working, active elements of the party and after all perhaps that is the surest road to success.

MEDIATION ASKED.

President McKinley Accepts.

Washington, July 24—The department of State has made public the Chinese appeal for mediation and the president's reply. Minister Wu brought to the department a copy of the exact telegram sent out by Sheng to the Powers repeating the Chinese assurance of safety of the legations up to the eighteenth instant, and finally Special Commissioner Rockhill has returned to Washington and prepare for his journey to China. Such were the developments of the morning, so far as China is concerned. The Chinese appeal is unquestionably an adroit production. The president's answer was equally clever and sincere. This is the opinion of the officials here who have studied both.

China Appeals to Uncle Sam.

The Emperor of China has made an appeal to the United States, similar to the appeal to France, to interpose our friendly offices toward settling the troubles in China. It now appears that the troubles in China are caused by the Boxers rebellion and that the Chinese government proper is not censurable for any of the occurrences, and that the occurrences have been greatly exaggerated. It is now claimed the President has determined to relieve and protect any Americans in China, but when this is done to withdraw U. S. forces and leave the European Powers to settle their own contentions and quarrels. If true, Uncle Sam is right.

The Hobo Convention.

In these days all kinds of people, sects, creeds denominations, factions and parties, hold conventions. And so the tramps, politely called Hobos, are to hold a convention in Iowa. They held their first convention last year. We suppose they will nominate a ticket for President and Vice President, make a platform and pass resolutions.

More Soldiers Needed.

A demand for more soldiers is coming to Gen. MacArthur from every department of the Philippine Islands. The present force is not large enough to garrison more than half of the important towns, and a serious fight is believed to be inevitable in Mindanao, Luzon and the Zulu Islands.

—What does this nation need? shouted the impassioned orator. "What does this nation require, if she steps proudly across the Pacific—if she strides boldly across the mighty ocean in her march of trade and—er, and freedom? I repeat what does she need?" "Rubber boots!" shouted a fellow on the rear seat.